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LETTER DATED 12 OCTOBER 1993 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency the position of the Government of Angola concerning the communiqué of the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA) dated 6 October 1993, and request that this document be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Position of the Government of Angola concerning the communiqué of the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola dated 6 October 1993

The Government of Angola has taken note of the positions expressed by UNITA in its communiqué dated 6 October 1993 distributed today, 8 October 1993, by Mr. Alioune Blondin Beye, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Angola.

The reference to the validity of the Bicesse Agreements, the acceptance of the election results of 29 and 30 September 1992, as well as the desire for the resumption of the negotiations in the terms expressed in the aforementioned communiqué, are no more than confirmation of the ambiguity of the behaviour that UNITA has been assuming along all this process.

Therefore, the Government of Angola is of the opinion that the fundamental aspects of the peace process have not yet found, on the part of UNITA, treatment that would ensure that its contribution to finding a solution for the post-electoral crisis in Angola is serious.

1. The position expressed by UNITA, to the effect that the Bicesse Accords must be updated to take into account the military positions that it occupied after the elections, is unequivocal confirmation that this organization seems not to be disposed towards a peaceful solution of the current conflict in the light of the established framework of international justice.

2. The electoral results continue to be accepted by UNITA with reservations, in flagrant disregard of the resolutions of the Security Council of the United Nations.

3. The way UNITA refers to the resolutions of the Security Council when it says that they are only noted makes it impossible to determine what its real position is towards the mandatory fulfilment of the resolutions, namely, the withdrawal from the localities they have occupied from October 1992, as determined by Security Council resolution 851 (1993), paragraphs 6 and 12.

4. The alleged declaration of a unilateral cease-fire has merely served to hide the increase in military actions over the national territory, as for example the military actions that they are carrying out against Kuito. Such actions are clear proof that UNITA has now come to disregard the alleged cessation of hostilities it declared, not permitting the free circulation of goods and persons, or international humanitarian assistance all over the country, particularly in the city of Kuito.

The Government of Angola considers it extremely important that a preliminary meeting between the Special Representative of the United Nations, the troika of peace process observers and UNITA should take place so that, in the near future, the ambiguities and contradictions contained in the communiqué of that organization dated 6 October 1993 may be clarified. The results of such a meeting, we hope, will create a serious basis for the start of political

discussions between the Government and UNITA based on the resolutions of the Security Council of the United Nations.